



Department of Health and Human Services

International Subcommittee of the Presidential Advisory Council on HIV/AIDS (PACHA) will Host a Townhall Meeting on the President's Emergency Plan for AIDS Relief

Date: December 18, 2003

Time: 1:00-5:00 p.m.

Place: The National Press Club
529 14th Street, NW
Main Ballroom, 13th Floor
Washington, DC 20045

Pre-registration is required

The townhall meeting is open to the public. Members of the public will have the opportunity to provide input for the Congressionally-mandated, five-year strategy to combat global HIV/AIDS. The strategy will strengthen the capacity of the United States to be an effective leader of the international campaign against HIV/AIDS. This is not a dialogue but an open forum to offer comments. Individuals, agencies, and organizations with practical experience implementing health programs in developing countries or with experience in international HIV/AIDS programs are asked to consider the following questions in preparing their oral or written comments:

- What lessons can you provide/share regarding planning, implementation, and outcome measurement strategies that have worked best; what did not work and why?;
- What are the vital aspects of effective partnerships and with whom?; and
- How have you been able to effectively involve people living with HIV/AIDS in your work?

Comments will be limited to 3 minutes per speaker. Written comments cannot exceed 5 pages and should be submitted to the Acting Executive Director of PACHA, Josephine Bias Robinson at info@phnip.com, before the close of business December 15, 2003.

Pre-registration is required for meeting attendance and public comments. To register call (202) 690-5560. Individuals with special needs such as sign language interpretation or other reasonable accommodations should notify the Acting Executive Director of PACHA at the time of registration.

Directions to the Press Club are available from www.press.org or by calling (202) 662-7500. Individuals must provide photo ID to enter the meeting.

Draft meeting agenda and information about PACHA can be accessed at www.pacha.gov.